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The Honorable Anne K Quinlan Acting Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S W Washington, DC 20423



Re STB Docket No AB-6 (Sub-No 465X), BNSF Railway Company-Abandonment Exemption – In King County, Washington

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan

International Paper supports the proposed abandonment by BNSF Railway Company ("BNSF") in this proceeding of the 12 55-mile rail line located between Milepost 11 25, at Wilburton, and Milepost 23 80, in Woodinville, in King County, Washington (the "Line")

International Paper has a facility on the Line and has used BNSF's services to ship paper products over the Line International Paper has agreed to start using a local transloader, located near our facility, to meet our shipping needs commencing in November 2008. Once the transload operations commence, International Paper will not longer need the Line to transport its products.

The abandonment of the Line will not result in an abuse of market power because the local transloader will provide International Paper with alternative transportation services International Paper will continue to receive rail service via the transload facility

Accordingly, International Paper supports the proposed abandonment by BNSF of the Line International Paper respectfully urges the Board expeditiously to grant the requested exemption in this proceeding

Sincerely,

Tom Carsenter Director of Transportation

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